Amendments to the Claims

1. (Currently amended) A compound represented by the formula (I)

wherein R¹ is

(1) a group represented by the formula (IIb) in which n is an integer of 2 to 5,

$$H_3C - \left(O - CH_2CH_2\right)_n$$
 (IIb)

- (2) a straight or branched C_{1-6} alkyl substituted by a pyridyl group optionally having a C_{1-3} alkyl, or
- (3) a tetrahydrofuranyl group or a tetrahydropyranyl group;

R² is a straight or branched C₁₋₆ alkyl, optionally substituted by a phenyl; and

R³ is hydrogen, a straight or branched C₁₋₆ alkyl or is selected from the group consisting of cyclopropyl, cyclobutyl, cyclopentyl and cyclohexyl.

R¹ is a lower alkyl substituted by a lower alkoxy or a heterocyclic group, or a heterocyclic group;

- -- R²-is a lower alkyl optionally substituted by a phenyl; and
- R³ is hydrogen, a lower alkyl optionally substituted by a halogen, a lower alkoxy or a phenyl, or a fused polycyclic hydrocarbon group.

2. (Cancelled)

3. (Currently amended) The compound as claimed in Claim 1, wherein the lower alkyl represented by R¹ which is substituted by a lower alkoxy is a group of the formula (IIb)

$$H_3C - \left(O - CH_2CH_2\right)_n$$
 (IIb)

in which n is an integer of $\frac{1 \text{ to } 6}{2 \text{ to } 5}$.

4-5. (Cancelled)

- **6.** (Currently amended) The compound as claimed in Claim 1, wherein the lower alkyl represented by R³ is cyclopropyl.
- 7. (Currently amended) The compound of Claim 1 selected from the group consisting of ((1S)-1-((((1S)-1-benzyl-2,3-dioxo-3-(cyclopropylamino)propyl)amino)carbonyl) 3-methylbutyl)carbamic acid 2-methoxyethyl ester,
- ((1S)-1-((((1S)-1-benzyl-2,3-dioxo-3-(cyclopropylamino)propyl)amino)carbonyl)-3-methylbutyl)carbamic acid 5-methoxy-3-oxapentyl ester,
- ((1S)-1-((((1S)-1-benzyl-2,3-dioxo-3-(cyclopropylamino)propyl)amino)carbonyl)-3-methylbutyl)carbamic acid 8-methoxy-3,6-dioxaoctyl ester,
- ((1S)-1-((((1S)-1-benzyl-2,3-dioxo-3-(cyclopropylamino)propyl)amino)carbonyl)-3-methylbutyl)carbamic acid 11-methoxy-3,6,9-trioxaundecanyl ester, or
- ((1S)-1-((((1S)-1-benzyl-3-(cyclopropylamino)-2,3-dioxopropyl)amino)carbonyl)-3-methylbutyl)carbamic acid 2-(pyridin-2-yl)ethyl ester.
- **8.** (Previously presented) A medicament comprising the compound as claimed in Claim 1.
- 9. (Original) The medicament as claimed in Claim 8, which is a calpain inhibitor.
- 10. (Original) The medicament as claimed in Claim 9, which is a prophylactic and/or therapeutic agent for a disease related to calpain.
- 11. (Original) The medicament as claimed in Claim 10, wherein the disease related to calpain is ischemic disease, immunologic disease, multiple sclerosis, Alzheimer's disease, osteoporosis,

diseases caused by brain tissue damage, cataract, glaucoma, retinal disease, retinochoroiditis, posterior eyeball complications due to photocoagulation or a disease involving neovascularization.

12-19. (Cancelled)

20. (New) The compound as claimed in Claim 1, which is ((1S)-1-((((1S)-1-benzyl-2,3-dioxo-3-(cyclopropylamino)propyl)amino)carbonyl)-3-methylbutyl)carbamic acid 5-methoxy-3-oxapentyl ester.